

# Minutes

## Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy

### Board Meeting

Monday Feb 4, 2013 @ 5:00 PM at 3 Fairlawn Way, Lincoln

#### **Board Members Present**

K. Vaudreuil, J. Almond, J. Morton, D. McKee

#### **Board Members Absent**

P. Carey, S. Noris, J. Casimiro

#### **Guests Present**

J. Chiappetta, Dan Waugh, D. Allsopp, David Lauck, Drew Allsopp, Drew Madden, Kyle Quadros, Lori McEwen, Mike DeMatteo, S. Cuello, J. LoPiccolo, L. McEwen, Sarah Hayhurst, Susan Bagaglia, Susan Moore

## I. Opening Items

#### **Call the Meeting to Order**

D. McKee called a meeting of the board of trustees of Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy to order on Monday Feb 4, 2013 @ 5:20 PM at 3 Fairlawn Way, Lincoln.

#### **Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting**

J. Almond made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 01-07-13.

K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, McKee, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

#### **Board Chair Remarks**

D. McKee stated that the Petrilli lunch was a very special event, the interaction and dialogue with the scholars was amazing.

## II. Consent Agenda

#### **Executive Director Report**

J. Almond made a motion to approve ED report.

J. Morton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, McKee, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

J. Chiappetta stated how our lottery is over 1400 applications. There is an increased demand. J.

Loppiccollo explained how we are running adds on selected radio stations for free. We are trying to reach out and target our English, Spanish and Portuguese families in different ways by still saving money.

#### **Financial Update**

J. Morton made a motion to accept financial update.

K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, McKee, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

D. Lauck stated everything is in order. He explained how we have received all of our revenues from the district and our state funding. He has also started to drawdown on our federal grant.

### III. Governance

#### **Bylaws Update**

J. Chiappetta stated that the RIMA board updated our bylaws at their last meeting. D. Waugh explained how it was mainly cleaned up but there were some significant changes, including the staggering of the terms of board members. This will take effect with the next election in July and all it means is that there will be 3 classes/tiers. For example one one term will last for one year, the next for two years and the third for 3 years.

#### **Financial Disclosure Statements**

J. Chiappetta reminded board members that the ethics commission requires board members to file a financial disclosure statement every year.

### IV. Schools Update

#### **High School Planning**

L. McEwen was excited to say that the high school committee will meet for the first time on February 11th.

#### **Middle School Mentoring Program**

S. Bagaglia and S. Hayhurst gave a quick summary about the new mentoring program for our middle school. They are piloting this program for a year they have 10 scholars and requires 2 hours a week in school. They will update us on the results.

### V. Fundraising

#### **Holiday Appeal**

Holiday Appeal has been a great success. Most board members have also donated we are almost at 100%.

### VI. BVP Charter Renewal Update

#### **Charter Renewal Update and Scheduling**

J. Chiappetta reminded the board that we have a 3 day site visit plan for March. The board is scheduled to meet with them Tuesday March 5th at 8am. We are hoping to have 100% board members attend.

### VII. Facilities Update

#### **Short & Long Term Facility Planning**

J. Chiappetta continues to explain how we are adding 240 seats next year and we have 240 scholars planning to attend and currently without any significant investment of any kind we are confident that we can handle only 80 new scholars.

### VIII. Executive Session

#### **Go Into Executive Session**

K. Vaudreuil made a motion to go into executive session.

J. Morton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, McKee, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

### IX. Executive Session - Facilities

**Acquisition or lease of real estate – R.I. Gen. L. § 42-46-5(a)(5)**

**Seal Minutes/End Executive Session**

J. Almond made a motion to seal minutes and leave executive session.

J. Morton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, McKee, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

**Direct actions to be taken by RIMA as discussed in Executive Session.**

J. Almond made a motion to apprise RIMA of the decision taken by the board in executive session.

K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, McKee, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

**X. Closing Items**

**Adjourn Meeting**

J. Almond made a motion to adjourn meeting.

K. Vaudreuil seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, McKee, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 06:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
S. Cuello